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Quality assurance department annually presents quality self-assessment report with recommendations to rector's counsel, which is based on collecting relevant information and its analysis. Collecting information requires usage of different forms, including qualitative and quantitative data: e.g. receiving institutive records, gathering feedback via questionnaires and communication with focus groups. Several types of indicators are used for analysis and evaluations: indicators for practical legislation (activity report), for assessment (result monitoring), for discussion (interactive usage of data) and for decisions (usage of data for process improvement).

Recommendations are implemented by the university (DTMU) for effective management of different programs and activities.

Most of the recommendations provided by the quality assurance department are reflected in university's activity in different directions:

University's new strategic plan (approved in 2016) is based on results of quality assurance department's assessment report (2015/2016 educational years). As per new requirements for adaptation of authorization standards, strategic plan and action plan were reworked (Approved in 2017 by DTMU).

Special training courses in pedagogy have been worked out and are being provided (to Ph.D. students for the dime being), based on medical educational center (approval: syllabus "pedagogy", meetings with Ph.D. students);

Revision of curriculum (medical doctor program's base teaching stage) was required based on quality assurance department's 2015/2016 learning years' assessment.

Strengthening of Medical doctor scientific program in two aspects:

(1) Revision of learning course, resulting in creation of new format and development of its scientific component; (2) Strengthening organizational structure (approval of syllabuses: 2.1. Bases of scientific research 1 (based on format of journal club); 2.2. Bases of scientific research 2 (based on format of journal club); 2.3. Writing of scientific projects – developed and piloted by Erasmus + funded project "PACT" (Focused research ethics issues and changes were introduced only on teaching the usage of antiplagiarism system's technical side);

Participation of foreign experts in preparation of Ph.D. students (approval: 5 agreements on co management);

Research of student's feedback about "what" and "on which level" they obtain medical doctor program's professional skills has been held and reported to academic staff and students (approval: meeting reports);

Presenting of research results in special formats to students involved in PBL and academic staff, for self and mutual assessment, while working in groups, resulting in useful reports for tutors for getting feedback and developing in assessment.

Meeting has been held between DTMU and EBMA representatives, followed by trainings and then testing of DTMU students by EBMA representatives, resulting in reports from EBMA (approval:

training report, report about satisfaction from training, report with recommendations provided by EBMA about testing) University's administration has quickly responded to the weaknesses (within the scope of possibility) identified by the research conducted between students about the library (approval: report of research between students);

- ✓ Amendments reflected in DTMU regulatory documents, issued orders for adaptation to legislative requirements; e.g. development of concept of protecting honesty in learning, research and in other aspects of university's workflow processes (DTMU's newly obtained resource – internet based prevention of plagiarism service – in accordance with turnit program); according changes have been made in student's, academic staff's and administrative staff's internal regulations; also changes were made in dissertation counsel's statute; Ph.D. program's current forms have been revised and/or new forms have been created; also Ph.D. learning program's guidelines have been collected as one document, etc.

Quality assurance service was carried out during the reporting period and the recommendations were supervised and monitored on its implementation.